

The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people, like myself, who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair! Do you know that some people don't make long distance calls because they cannot pay the long distance charge, let alone the tax. I make very few calls, and on my phone bill, the total tax is almost as much as my basic bill and my few long distance calls. The tax on the phone is already too high for many lower-income people like myself. If tax goes up, we may not afford to keep phones.

I use my wireless phone mostly for safety, security and convenience, not for chat. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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